

7020-02

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

INVESTIGATION NOS. 337-TA-867/861

CERTAIN CASES FOR PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICES

DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION GRANTING IN PART COMPLAINANT'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND THE COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review the presiding administrative law judge's ("ALJ") initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 9) granting in part complainant's motion for leave to amend the complaint and notice of investigation as to removing respondent Jie Sheng Technology of Tainan City, Taiwan ("Jie Sheng Taiwan") from the investigation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Panyin A. Hughes, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3042. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at http://www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov.

Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted Inv. No. 337-TA-861 on November 16, 2012, based on a complaint filed by Speculative Product Design, LLC of Mountain View, California ("Speck"). 77 Fed. Reg. 68828 (Nov. 16, 2012). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1337) in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain cases for portable electronic devices by reason of infringement of various claims of United States Patent No. 8,204,561 ("the '561 patent"). The complaint named several respondents.

The Commission instituted Inv. No. 337-TA-867 on January 31, 2013, based on a complaint filed by Speck. 78 Fed. Reg. 6834 (Jan. 31, 2013). That complaint also alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1337) in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain cases for portable electronic devices by reason of infringement of various claims of the '561 patent. The complaint named several respondents. On January 31, 2013, the Commission consolidated the two investigations. *Id*.

On April 4, 2013, Speck moved for leave to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to remove respondent Jie Sheng Taiwan from the investigation and add as respondent Jie Sheng Technology of Shenzhen City, China. On April 15, 2013, the Commission investigative attorney filed a response in support of the motion. No other responses to the motion were filed.

On April 30, 2013, the ALJ issued the subject ID, granting the motion in part as to

removing respondent Jie Sheng Taiwan from the investigation. The ALJ found that, pursuant to

Commission Rule 210.14(b) (19 C.F.R. § 210.14(b)), good cause exists to amend the complaint

and notice of investigation. None of the parties petitioned for review of the ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the ID.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in section 337 of the

Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. § 1337), and in section 210.42 of the Commission's

Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 C.F.R. § 210.42).

By order of the Commission.

William R. Bishop Supervisory Hearings and Information Officer

Issued: May 23, 2013

[FR Doc. 2013-12718 Filed 05/29/2013 at 8:45 am; Publication Date: 05/30/2013]

3